GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

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PRODUCTION OF PESTICIDES
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantum of pesticides produced in the country during the last three years;

(b) whether the Government are both importing and exporting pesticides;

(c) if so, the total amount spent on import and the amount earned from export of pesticides during the last three years;

(d) whether the Government are taking any steps to reduce the import and increase the production and export of pesticides; and

(e) if so, the projection made in this regard for the Tenth Plan?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI S.B. MOOKHERJEE)

(a): Details of quantum of production of pesticides are at Annexure I.

(b) & (c) : The details of value of pesticides imported and exported are at Annexure I.

(d) & (e): India is a net exporter of agro chemicals. Our exports have been growing at a faster pace as compared to imports. Constant efforts are being made to increase the production and export of pesticides and also to reduce the incidence of imports. Due to liberalized policy being followed by the Government no projection has been made for the pesticide industry for the 10th Plan.